

**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Kiyoshi UCHIKAWA

Application No.: 10/588,730

Filed: August 8, 2006

Docket No.: 129041

For: EXPOSURE METHOD AND APPARATUS, AND DEVICE PRODUCTION METHOD

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Please consider the following:

**Amendments to the Specification;**

**Amendments to the Claims** as reflected in the listing of claims;

**Amendments to the Drawings** include an attached replacement sheet; and

**Remarks.**